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1. The Pleven-Nikopol Road covers a distance of 54 kilometers.
2. The following are attached to this report as Appendices A and B:
  - a. Appendix A - Road Report Form; and
  - b. Appendix B - Bridge Report Form.
3. The Pleven-Nikopol Road runs through the following localities:  
 Grivitsa (N 43-25, E 25-43); Mechka (N 43-31, E 24-48); Asenovovo (N 43-33, E 24-52);  
 Debovo (N 43-35, E 24-53); Muselievo (N 43-38, E 24-51); Zhernov (N 43-39, E 24-51).

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<u>Distance in Kilometers</u>	<u>Point on Route</u>	<u>Width of Road</u>	<u>Surface of Road</u>	<u>Shoulders</u>	<u>Condition of Road</u>	<u>Surrounding Area</u>	<u>Traffic Suitability</u>
0	Pleven	--	--	--	--	--	--
0-3.5	--	5 meters	Pave. Good surface.	1 meter. Earth, Suit- able vehicles.	Straight, level road.	Flat terrain. Vehicles can leave road.	Suitable all vehicles.
3.5-6	--	5 meters	Crushed Stone. Good surface.	" "	" "	" "	" "
6	Grivitsa	--	--	--	--	--	Road junction W. of village. NIKOPOL road runs north, crosses Pleven-Levski railway after 200 yds.
6-20	--	5 meters	Crushed stone(chalk) with earth surface. Good condi- tion.	1 meter. Earth, flush.	Road level - no sharp bends.	Flat open country. No cover. Vehicles can leave road.	Suitable all vehicles. Small unnamed village at 14 kilometers.
20-22	Mechka	5 meters	Earth, Badly rutted.	" "	" "	--	Deteriorates to thick mud after rain.
22-27	--	5 meters	Crushed stone(chalk) with earth surface. Fair condition.	" "	Mainly level. No sharp bends.	Low hills on both sides. Vehicles can leave road at some points. Mechka River on right. No cover.	Suitable all vehicles.
27-29	Asenov	5 meters	Crushed stone. Bad condition.	" "	Straight, level road.	--	--
29-32	--	5 meters	Crushed stone (chalk) with earth surface. Fair condition but surface broken in parts.	1 meter Earth flush.	Straight, level road	--	--

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32-35	Debovo	5 meters	Earth	1 meter. Earth, flush	Level road.	--	Thick mud after rain.
35-40	--	5 meters	Crushed stone (chalk) with earth surface. Fair condition.	" "	" "	River on right. Low chalk hills beyond river. Vehicles can leave road. No cover.	Suitable all vehicles. Single arch masonry bridge (25m) across stream at 36.5 kms.
40	Museliévo	5 meters	" "	" "	" "	--	Bridge (length 35m) at entrance to village. (see Append. "B")
43-44	Zhernov	5 meters	" "	" "	" "	--	--
44-49	--	4 meters	" "	" "	Mainly level with some mild gradients.	Steep slope to right of road. Level ground & Osma river to left. Vehicles can leave road to left.	Suitable all vehicles.
49	N 43-42 E 24-51	4 meters	--	--	Road junction. Road off to west across Osma river to Gigen and Orexovo.	--	--
49-54	--	4 meters	Crushed stone. Bad condition	Narrow verges. Not suitable for vehicles.	Level road running east along south bank of Danube at about 5 meters from river bank.	River to north and steep cliff to south of road.	Very muddy after rain.
54	Nikopol	--	--	--	--	--	--

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Appendix A

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<u>Point on Route</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Arches</u>	<u>Width of Roadway</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Traffic Suitability</u>	<u>Characteristics of Water</u>	<u>Embankments</u>
Muselievo	50 meters (over-all)	1 x 50m	5 meters	Steel lattice girder (through type) on masonry abutments.	Suitable, all vehicles	Width - 25m Depth - less than 1 meter.	Steep earth banks. Height 2 - 3 meters.

Appendix B

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